

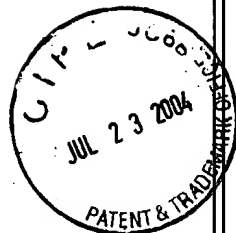
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Application of: Higgins et al.

Serial Number: 09/721,871

Filed: November 24, 2000

For: **CUSHIONED CARPET, CARPET TILE, AND METHOD**

Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Juska, Cheryl Ann

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner of Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attorney for Applicant(s) hereby requests an extension of time of two (2) months in which to respond to the Action which was mailed January 27, 2004. Upon granting this request Applicant's response will be due on July 24, 2004. Please charge the \$420.00 fee and any additional fees, and credit any overpayment, for this Extension of Time to our deposit account number 04-0500. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

It is respectfully urged that this request is proper and that it be granted to provide the additional time necessary to formulate a satisfactory response to this Official Action. It is believed that by granting this request further prosecution of this application will be expedited and Applicant's interest in achieving the best possible protection for his invention can be best achieved.

July 23, 2004

Respectfully requested,

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